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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: Pierre MICHELS

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SERIAL NO: 10/645,274

) Group Art Unit:

FILING DATE: August 21, 2003

) Examiner:

TITLE: DEVICE FOR EQUIPPING AN EXPANSION
JOINT, IN PARTICULAR AN EXPANSION
JOINT BETWEEN CONCRETE SLABS

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Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

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REQUEST FOR ONE MONTH EXTENSION

Dear Sir:

With reference to the notice dated November 14, 2003, applicant respectfully requests a one month extension of the term for response, from the present term of January 14, 2004 up to a new term of February 14, 2004.

Enclosed is check in the amount of \$55 to cover the fee for this one month extension, based on the small entity status of the applicant. Should any additional fee be deemed necessary, the Commissioner is authorization to charge our Deposit Account No. 12-0400.

Respectfully submitted,

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